

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

## STATE OF TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES William R. Snodgrass - Tennessee Tower 312 Rosa L. Parks Avenue, 11th Floor Nashville, Tennessee 37243-1102 (615) 532-0625

PH Notice Tracking # TN0081566-160425

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN**, the Division of Water Resources will hold a public hearing pursuant to Rule 0400-40-05-.06(9) a.

Place: West Greene High School Gymnasium

275 West Greene Drive Mosheim, TN 37818

Date: June 09, 2016 (Thursday)

Time: 5:00 PM EDT - Open House Informational Session

6:00 PM EDT - Proposed Permits Presentation & Public Hearing

Public comments will be received concerning the proposed permit action described below:

The State of Tennessee proposes to reissue an Individual NPDES Permit to US Nitrogen LLC, Permit Number TN0081566, located at 471 Pottertown Road in Midway, TN 37809, Greene County, Tennessee. The permit is to authorize the discharge of effluent process, non-process and cooling water from production of nitric acid, ammonia, and ammonium nitrate solution to the receiving stream the Nolichucky River at Mile 20.8, and to operate a cooling water intake structure. The proposed permit contains limitations on the amounts of pollutants to be discharged, in accordance with Federal and State standards and regulations. Permit conditions are tentative and subject to public comment. Tennessee is noticing a public hearing due to a request for public hearing and public interest of water permitting issues in the area.

Prior to opening the formal public hearing, an open house informational session will be held from 5:00 to 6:00 PM EDT. TDEC staff and the applicants and/or their design consultants will be available to answer questions and provide information during the open house informational session. At 6:00 PM EDT, TDEC staff and/or the applicants will provide brief presentations about the proposed permits and the formal public hearing will begin. Once the formal public hearing begins, the question and answer format will end and all public comments will be collected for the hearing record without response from TDEC staff during the formal public hearing. The hearing officer may limit the length of oral presentation in order to allow parties an opportunity to speak, and will require that all testimony be relevant to water quality issues. Written testimony will be accepted at the hearing, for ten working days following the hearing, and will be considered part of the hearing record.

Interested persons may obtain additional information, a copy of the draft permit, the rationale and inspect and copy forms and related documents at the Division's Central Office at the address listed above, Attn: Ms. Beth Rorie, (615) 532-1172, or at the **Johnson City Environmental Field Office located at 2305 Silverdale Road, Johnson City, TN 37601, (423) 854-5400**.

Individuals with disabilities who wish to participate in these proceedings (or review the administrative file record) should contact the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation to discuss any auxiliary aids or services needed to facilitate such participation. Contact may be in person, by writing, telephone, or other means, and should be made no less than ten working days prior to June 9, 2016, to allow time to provide such aid or services. Contact the ADA Coordinator at (1-866-253-5827) for further information. Hearing impaired callers may use the Tennessee Relay Service (1-800-848-0298).

You may reach Mr. Vojin Janjic, the permit writer for further information at (615) 532-0670, or by Email at *Vojin.Janjic@tn.gov*.